

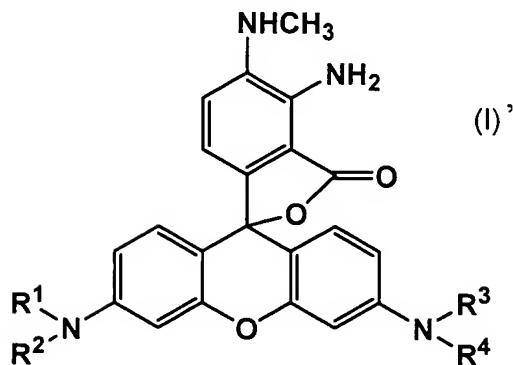
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The claims in this listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-8. (Canceled)

9. (New) A compound represented by the following formula (I)':

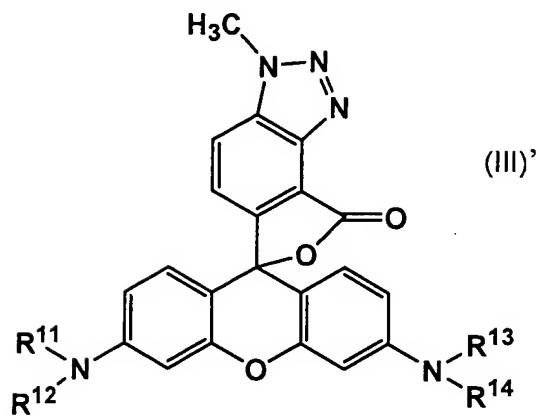


wherein R¹, R², R³, and R⁴ independently represent methyl group or ethyl group.

10. (New) The compound of the formula (I)' according to Claim 9 wherein R¹, R², R³, and R⁴ are methyl groups.

11. (New) A reagent computer for measurement of nitric oxide which comprises a compound represented by the formula (I)' according to Claim 9.

12. (New) A compound represented by the following formula (III):



wherein R¹¹, R¹², R¹³, and R¹⁴ independently represent methyl group or ethyl group.

13. (New) The compound of the formula (III)' according to Claim 12, wherein R^{11} , R^{12} , R^{13} , and R^{14} are methyl groups.

14. (New) A method for measurement of nitric oxide, which comprises:

(1) a step of reacting a compound represented by the formula (I)' according to Claim 9 with nitric oxide, and

(2) a step of detecting a compound represented by the formula (III)' having the following formula produced in (1).

